

Senate Resolution 1203

By: Senators Fort of the 39th and Orrock of the 36th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Ms. Margaret "Maggie" F. Garrett; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Ms. Garrett served as Legislative Director for the American Civil Liberties
3 Union of Georgia (ACLU) from 2002 until 2007; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Ms. Garrett is a proud graduate of Hamilton College and the George
5 Washington University Law School; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Ms. Garrett represented the ACLU as its lobbyist at the Georgia General
7 Assembly during the legislative sessions from 2003 through 2007; and
- 8 WHEREAS, the Bill of Rights to the United States Constitution is the foundation for our
9 most sacred rights; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Ms. Garrett ably advocated to protect the Bill of Rights for five sessions at the
11 Georgia General Assembly; and
- 12 WHEREAS, while members of this body may not have always agreed with the positions of
13 the ACLU, we always appreciated the manner in which Ms. Garrett contributed to the
14 legislative process by sharing her vast knowledge of Constitutional law; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Ms. Garrett worked effectively, enthusiastically, and energetically with
16 members of this body from both sides of the aisle; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Ms. Garrett worked as diligently to preserve a state employee's right to say
18 "Merry Christmas" as she did to maintain the separation between church and state; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Ms. Garrett personified the diligence, integrity, and cheerful disposition that all
20 lobbyists should strive to achieve; and

1 WHEREAS Ms. Garrett now lives happily in Washington, D.C. with her dog, Atticus; and

2 WHEREAS, this body misses Ms. Garrett's contributions to the legislative process and looks
3 forward to her speedy return to the State of Georgia.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
5 recognize Ms. Margaret "Maggie" F. Garrett and commend her for her outstanding service
6 to the American Civil Liberties Union, her community, and this state.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
8 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Ms. Margaret "Maggie" F. Garrett.